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SUBJECT: QUAI CHANGES SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS DIRECTOR

1. GILLES CURIEN HAS LEFT HIS POSITION AS DIRECTOR OF THE SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS SERVICE IN THE FONOFF TO BECOME ITS DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION. REPLACING HIM IS AN EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMAT, COMTE XAVIER DU CAUZE DE NAZELLE, WHO APPEARS TO HAVE NEITHER EXPERIENCE NOR EDUCATION IN SCIENCE. FOR A BRIEF PERIOD FORMER MFA SPACE OFFICIAL GILLES DE BOISGELIN HELD THE POSITION VACATED BY CURIEN, BUT HE WAS REMOVED REPORTEDLY BECAUSE OF AN ACCIDENT WHICH LED TO TEMPERAMENTAL INSTABILITY. BOISGELIN IS NOW CHARGE DE MISSION WITHOUT AS YET A MISSION. NO ONE HAS YET BEEN NAMED TO SUCCEED HIM IN THE FONOFF SPACE AFFAIRS OFFICE.

2. THE 48-YEAR-OLD DU CAUZE DE NAZELLE WAS LAST THE FIRST COUNSELOR (THE EQUIVALENT OF DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION) TO THE FRENCH EMBASSY MOSCOW. HIS EARLIER ASSIGNMENTS WERE ALL IN EUROPE. HE HOLDS A LAW DEGREE AND IS A GRADUATE OF THE PRESTIGIOUS ECOLE NATIONALE D'ADMINISTRATION.
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